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## Rep. Spreitzer's statement on AB 310

MADISON – The Wisconsin State Assembly today passed AB 310, a bill that will gut funding for women's health and family planning clinics. In response, Rep. Mark Spreitzer (D-Beloit) released the following statement:

"AB 310 is not about abortion. This bill is about latching on to controversy and using it to shut off healthcare access for the poor and uninsured.

This bill will shut down women's health and family planning clinics, putting at risk our own First Choice Health Clinic in Beloit and Janesville. It fails to recognize the lack of capacity to replace services in communities like Beloit and across our state if clinics like First Choice lose funding. These services are overwhelmingly provided to the uninsured and those in poverty. This bill would deny access to healthcare, including birth control and cancer screenings, and would disproportionately impact lowincome women.

This bill is wrong for women, wrong for the health of our communities, wrong for Beloit, and wrong for Wisconsin. I strongly opposed this bill because I support preserving and increasing access to healthcare for all residents of the 45<sup>th</sup> District."

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